
2025 FACULTY AWARD

The Faculty Award recognizes impactful and lasting service to the University of Notre Dame as a leader among faculty colleagues. Robert Easley is a highly respected and trusted leader, mentor, and colleague across the Mendoza College of Business and the University, known for his collaborative spirit, deep expertise, and visionary thinking. Following nine years as assistant chair of the Department of Management, Professor Easley led a comprehensive restructuring that culminated in the establishment of two academic departments, the Department of Management and Organization and the Department of IT, Analytics, and Operations (ITAO). He has chaired the latter ever since. This strategic move helped to better define research and teaching areas in these two significant disciplines, positioning the college for growth. In addition to building ITAO's reputation as a strong technical department, which advanced the college's ability to hire top faculty, Professor Easley led the creation of a new Business Analytics major, now among the University's most popular. He has also overseen the historic launches of new master's and doctoral programs in analytics. His foresight has been instrumental in establishing Notre Dame as a leader in the fast-changing world of business analytics and information technology.

The University of Notre Dame is proud to present the 2025 Faculty Award to

Robert F. Easley

John W. Berry Sr. Department Chair and Professor of Information Technology, Analytics, and Operations
